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Hon. W. A. MacWilliams of St. Augustine is being urged to become a candidate for the State Senate from St. Johns county. The long service of Mr. MacWilliams, both in the Senate and the House, would make him a most valuable member. His efforts in the past have been constructive and conservative, and in all parts of the State a legislature that has as a member Mr. MacWilliams, is regarded as a safe legislature.

Ex-Secretary Crooke of the Florida Anti-Saloon League, has entered the life insurance business on the east coast, with West Palm Beach as headquarters. That Mr. Crooke is peculiarly fitted for this work goes without saying. Any man who can stamper a legislature into putting over a half-pint liquor permit and labeling it partial prohibition, can persuade men to buy pledges that will secure his loved ones against the time when he shall enter upon that "mysterious realm from which no traveler returns." If you have no life insurance, beware of Mr. Crooke.

Chairman Raney has finally concluded, under pressure, to reconvene the State executive committee for the purpose of re-considering the obnoxious resolutions passed at the January meeting of the committee, and which define a democrat as a man without religion or any society affiliations. As The News is one that believes with William Jennings Bryan, that it is possible to be a Christian and a Democrat at the same time, we hope the committee will cut out that part of the resolutions which maintain that he cannot. The committee is to meet in Jacksonville, under the restraints of the Davis Package Law, on Thursday, Feb. 24th.

Pastor Russell of Brooklyn, spiritual adviser of The Times-Union, and the man who has abolished the old-fashioned hell of our forefathers, or at least scraped the grease from the gang-plank leading thereto, lectured in Jacksonville last Tuesday night. This old "pastor," who wears prophetic-like whiskers under his chin and is claiming prophetic vision, is telling the Times-Union and other papers that he can bamboozle with his syndicated religion, that for many years prior to the breaking out of the war in Europe, he had predicted that "a time of intense trouble would come upon the world in the autumn of 1914." Well, it came, and now this old bewhiskered prophet is claiming all the credit. The News, for one, is willing he should have it.

Candidate Wood of St. Petersburg, who is making the race for Governor on a platform which declares for the abolishment of the fee system of paying county officials, won a point last week when the State Sheriff's Convention at Tampa voiced its grievance against this man who would reduce their compensation to a reasonable salary basis. The rank and file of democrats in the state are with Mr. Wood in this matter of doing away with the fee system, although they may not be with Mr. Wood in his present personal ambition. Public denunciation of Mr. Wood on the part of the sheriff's, thus calling attention of voters to the idea that the present fee system is too much in the nature of a sinecure to be meddled with, will serve to make votes for the gentleman who is working vigorously against the fee system.

Chairman Raney yields to pressure reluctantly, and has called another meeting of the State Executive Committee for the purpose of re-considering the obnoxious resolutions adopted at the January meeting of the committee. But he rejects the Palatka invitation and "does not believe that the proposition to defray hotel bills of committeemen warranted this city being selected." Of course not; it would be out of the range of influence of the Jacksonville politicians who "put over" those resolutions. Mr. Raney need not be afraid of our democratic primaries being thrown open to all, irrespective of party. The State primary law provides for the qualifications of participants, and does it without giving offense to a man's religious belief. If he is white, is registered as a democrat, and agrees to support the nominees of the party, he is permitted to participate. That was the case before those resolutions were adopted, and their adoption made no change in his obligation.

Congressman Frank Clark's peace plan reminds us that the genial congressman from the Second district really works just as hard for the country now that he has no opposition, nor the prospect of any, as he does when some other good Florida patriot is trying to pry him from his seat. May his peace plan pulverize preparedness.

And now comes the information that Hon. Don. C. McMullen, president of the Anti-Saloon League of Florida, has also resigned. The League will be able to secure a secretary, for the job is something of a sinecure, but it will hunt a long time before it secures a president who is able to give his time to the work and who will rank in ability with McMullen.

Gov. Park Trammell has a right to feel elated in his victory over Chairman Raney, in his efforts to get another meeting of the State committee for the purpose of reconsidering those objectionable resolutions. The Governor is now making a fight against the recent order of the State Tax Commission requiring county assessors to assess property on a full valuation basis, instead of the 50 percent basis of the past year. Gov. Trammell is a watchful executive; he looks well to the interests of the people.

The monkey and baboon will soon be playing in the political grass if candidates Farris and Wood really come together in joint debate. At the sheriff's convention last week, Senator Farris, who is a candidate for Governor, is reported to have said: "I can take Wood's own bill and make a monkey out of him in 15 minutes." He referred of course to the bill introduced by Mr. Wood in the last legislature, doing away with the fee system and placing all county officers on a salary basis. Now comes Mr. Wood with a challenge to a joint debate on the question, thus giving Mr. Farris the opportunity he professed to seek. Which will prove to be the monkey, and which the baboon, remains to be seen.

No, there was really no joker attached to those St. Augustine recommendations sent to President Wilson last week urging his selection of our own Major General J. Clifford R. Foster for Secretary of War. The people of St. Augustine really regard Gen. Foster as a great man, both in bulk and in aspirations. The saying that "a prophet is not without honor save in his own bailiwick," does not apply to the head of Florida's standing army, who is our most conspicuous advocate of military and naval preparedness. No matter how the General may rank in Apalachicola or Sopchoppy or Wauchula and other places remote from the seat of his activities, he is honored at home, and really nothing could count for more in life's pilgrimage to any man, be he a soldier of the legion, willing to die in Algiers, or just a plain civilian in overalls, wending his weary way homeward at eventide beside the lowing herd. What hurts us most is the fact that the capitalistic press of the country, outside Florida, has steadfastly refused to couple the name of this eminent Floridian among the list of eligibles, but have confined themselves to Gen. Goethals and Carter Harrison and others who have never headed an army in times of peace with the idea of preparing for war, nor were able to say with the friends of Gen. Foster, now that the agony is over, "that grim-visaged war has soothed his wrinkled front, and now, instead of mounting barbed steeds to fright the souls of fearful adversaries, he capers nimbly in a lady's chamber to the lascivious pleasing of a lute."

Here, Too.
The philosopher of the Cincinnati Enquirer says: "When you have said enough, stop talking." But did you ever see anyone who thought he had said enough? Neither did we.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Think Satan Gird Workman.
Between England and Scotland stand the ruins of the old Roman wall, known as the Devil's Wall, owing to the belief of the peasantry that, on account of the firmness of the mortar and the imperishability of the stones, Satan had a hand in its construction.

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WHAT LEADING STATE EDITORS ARE SAYING.

Clark Active in Interests of Peace.

St. Augustine Record: It is greatly to the credit of Congressman Frank Clark of Florida that he seized an opportunity that occurred on Wednesday last to present a series of strong and stirring resolutions that have been submitted to the house committee on foreign affairs. The first of the series states that as a peace-loving and democratic people, opposed to oppression and wedded to the idea that every nation should be allowed to work out its own destiny without molestation on the part of any other nation, we declare an absolute and strict neutrality. The next states the horror with which we view the present conflict and carnage, and our sincere desire that it may soon be terminated. Then follows the most important, towards which the others led, and in it the president is authorized and requested to invite the rulers of neutral countries to send delegates to a great peace conference to be in Washington, D. C., at which there shall be defined the rights of neutrals on the seas, and a strong effort made to agree upon some practicable method of bringing the war to an end; then follows the authorization of the president to appoint two representatives of the United States and the appointment of a sum of \$5,000 for expenses. We repeat that it is to the credit of Mr. Clark that he should present these resolutions, and we sincerely hope that something will come out of it that will really have a result in hastening the cessation of not only the present war, but of all wars.

The Power of Bryan's Personality.

Lakeland Telegram: The interest which people feel in a great man is not controlled by their approval or disapproval of any particular doctrine or policy which he may advocate. They are drawn to him by the irresistible magnetism of a personality so strong and masterful that it has fought its way above the level of the herd, conquered obstacles to which weaker men have surrendered, and won the eminence to which we all owe the instinctive acknowledgement due to the peak towering above the range.
William Jennings Bryan has probably been since 1896 the best abused and the most admired man in America, and all by virtue of the qualities which have differentiated him from the mass and set him apart as a leader and a teacher whom all people flock to hear. He has probably talked to more men and women in his public career than any other living human being, and so large and deep are the resources of his mind and heart, so compelling the charm of his personality, that the lure of him for the average American is as potent as ever and he still "draws" with but little if any diminished power. This is all a tribute to that incomparable thing called character, and of which Mr. Bryan is one of the most conspicuous living instances.

Securing Publicity.

Orlando Reporter-Star: Florida congressmen are actively at work and as a consequence they have been landing conspicuously in the news head lines. Congressman Sears succeeded in pushing an appropriation for the Seminoles through the house, and Congressman Clark has introduced a resolution asking for a conference of the representatives of neutral nations. Neither of these bills will seriously interfere with the welfare of the country and it gives our congressmen some much appreciated publicity.

Across State.

Tampa Tribune: An example of what better roads have made possible in Florida is the trip of Contractor Parker, of this city, who motored from Miami to this city in the interval between 7:30 a. m. and 9:15 p. m.—a distance of 210 miles. Several years ago, this trip would have required at least a week. And all the roads on the route are not yet good roads by any means. With their further improvement, it will be possible to run from Miami to Tampa between breakfast and lunch time.

The Florida Pig.

Lakeland Telegram: About a dozen counties in Florida thus far have organized pig clubs and they will prove vastly more valuable in forwarding the interests of their members and of the State generally than some of the other clubs we hear about. The cute and unassuming Florida pig can, with proper attention become a factor in the prosperity of the State that, on a show-down, would make some of the world-saving propagandas now on tap like the vanishing shadow of thirty cents by comparison.

Mendenhall.

Ocala Star: The excessive consideration with which Mendenhall is being treated by the State is another incentive to lynch law. Months ago he was convicted of the most horrible crime ever committed by one man in Florida, yet many a poor nigger has been more severely punished in that time for shooting craps or stealing a hog.

Mental Disturbance.

"Did that alienist prove that you were crazy?"
"No," replied the defendant, "but he admitted that he was nearly so before the lawyer got through with him."—Washington Star.

A Pointed Hint.

Dissatisfied Guest—Waiter, you don't seem to know how to broil a steak at this eating house. Let me give you a pointer. Waiter (with some alacrity)—All right, suh, only we usually call 'em tips.

LAKE COMO NEWS.

Mr. Spencer of Syracuse, N. Y. is a guest at the Highland House.
Mr. and Mrs. Ames have returned from their trip through the southern part of the state and are again guests at the Highland House.

Mrs. Tom Carson of Croswell, Mich., is occupying her home for the season.
A "Silver Tea" was held at the residence of Mrs. W. L. Gable Thursday afternoon. Quite a number were present. Refreshments of cake, punch and confections were served.

Miss Lillian Skalak entertained at a valentine party Monday evening. A most enjoyable evening was spent in playing games and music on the Victrola. The table was beautifully decorated in red and green ribbon streamers, cupids and hearts. The refreshments were ice cream, cakes, punch and salted nuts. The favors were heart-shaped boxes of candy. The ices were served in red roses. An enjoyable evening was spent by all. Those present were: Miss Lillian Skalak, Miss Hattie Velde, Miss Elsie Northrup, Miss Flossie Evans, Miss Katherine Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Chamberlin, Messrs. Willie Gable, John and Felix Haymart and Charles Henry Prior.

There was an amateur vaudeville show given at the hall Friday night, Feb. 11th, when the following program was given: Ragtime melody by Mrs. C. C. Sullivan; song by Mrs. Ames of Oswego, N. Y., who was enthusiastically encored; a monologue, "The Album," by Mrs. J. D. Mitchell was very amusing, receiving hearty applause; a song, "Lucinda," by C. C. Sullivan, and H. C. Gates, as Lucinda was greatly applauded; a fancy dance, "Argentine Tango," by Miss Katherine Sullivan, and Mr. Jack E. Sullivan of Woodliff Lake, N. J., was beautifully danced. Their costumes of white and red being very becoming; a monologue by Willie Gable caused much laughter. Willie is a born comedian. He responded to an encore; Jack Sullivan dressed as a young lady, danced a fancy dance—"The Syncopeated Walk," which was beautiful, and every one fell in love with this "charming young lady." Mr. Sullivan is quite an artist in the dancing line; Mr. H. C. Gates as Mrs. Rastus Johnson at the telephone, was great, and his costume was greater. John Woolsey acted as referee of the song by C. C. Sullivan, "When Old Bill Bailey Plays the Ukelele" was applauded; Mrs. Ames again favored the audience with several songs. She is a very sweet singer. This was followed by a short humorous sketch, "Mrs. Brown Engaging a Cook," with Mrs. Mitchell as "Mrs. Brown;" J. Law Redman of Brooklyn, N. Y., as "Buster Brown;" "Deacon," as "Tige." The various applicants for the position were George Davidson as "Bridget O'Flannigan," Jack Sullivan as "Pluffy Ruffles," C. C. Sullivan as "Elizabeth Cutter"—all in characteristic costumes, caused much laughter. After the show ice cream and cake were on sale, then dancing followed. A large crowd was present, and a great sum realized. Services were held at the M. E. church Sunday morning. C. C. Sullivan led the league meeting Sunday evening.

POMONA NEWS.

Miss Nannie Smith came up from Orlando last week for a few days visit at home, and to be with her sister Miss Leo Smith who has recovered from a serious illness.

Mrs. C. H. Piplar enjoyed a short visit with her mother in Sanford recently.

Miss Mary Sumner has been in Jacksonville for the past week, the guest of friends.

Mrs. N. V. Nihoul and Pauline have returned from a visit in St. Johns Park and Crescent City.

Miss Beulah Irish, guest of Miss Grace Wells at Sisco was calling on friends here this week. Miss Irish was formerly a popular young lady of Pomona, but last year moved to Orlando, and this is her first visit to friends in this section.

Miss Nellie Keown who is connected with Stetson University, gave a most interesting lecture on Home Economics to the town ladies in the hall Wednesday afternoon. During the social time following the lecture the V. I. A. members served cakes and iced tea. As Miss Keown was a Pomona girl, we feel an especial interest in her and are proud of her success in this chosen line of work.

The "Japanese Tea" given Friday afternoon in the Town Hall was a very pleasant affair and distinctly out of the ordinary. The decorations were a profusion of plum blossoms and bamboo, Japanese lanterns, and parasols, making a fitting background for the ladies attired in gayly flowered kimono. The refreshments consisted of tea, cakes, ambrosia and salted nuts served on small tables. In the evening a social was given for the younger members of the Christian Endeavor Society who could not attend the Tea in the afternoon.

Neighbors and friends are enjoying vegetables from the garden of A. D. Wing. While not a large garden it is quite a wonderful one for this time of year, and as Mr. Wing is very generous with the products, we hope it will last a long time.

Friends of the V. I. A. will please remember the supper and entertainment which will take place Friday evening Feb. 18. The price of the supper 35 cents includes the entertainment which will consist of a short comedy and other good things, and the pleasant time which the ladies will endeavor to give to all who attend.

H. C. Belrose the barber who dropped in here from Texas (so he said) departed by night Friday for parts unknown, and in consequence C. C. Middleton is looking for another man to take charge of the shop. Belrose kept a nice, clean place, in fact seemed to be quite an artist in ideas of decoration and cleanliness, but evidently Pomona was not to his liking.

A committee of ladies from the V. I. A. met the Town Council Sat-

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Friday afternoon, asking for new chairs for the hall, which request was granted, and it is expected the seats will arrive in time for the supper Friday night.

Repairs on the church are still going on, and all are much pleased with the new roof which has been finished this week. A hand rail has been added to the front steps. This fills a long felt want especially of the older people, and of other improvements of a larger order will be made as soon as possible.

A. H. Wedertz and J. M. Tucker made a business trip to Seville Monday, where Mr. Wedertz made arrangements to purchase lumber for the remodeling of his house recently bought of R. C. Middleton.

Mrs. J. M. Tucker went to East Palatka Monday for a visit with relatives.

This week will close up the orange business for the season; growers are now busy fertilizing the trees, and looking forward to larger crops and better prices next year.

T. B. Eubanks, representative of Chase & Co. oranges shippers of Jacksonville spent several days here this week.

INTERLACHEN NEWS.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Congregational church met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. M. Corthell. Mrs. J. L. Andrews presented a comprehensive and carefully prepared paper on the subject for the day, "The Women of the Bible," and an open parliament followed the reading of this paper. Mrs. Schofield contributed two exquisite vocal solos to the program.

An informal dancing party in the hall Friday night was enjoyed by the young people.

Miss Martha Weber, Miss Joy Protheroe and Mr. Edw. Protheroe went over to St. Augustine Saturday for the week-end, and Mr. Protheroe would go from St. Augustine to his New England home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Lothrop are absent on a two weeks visit to Orlando, where they will spend the time with Mr. Lothrop's brother, Frank Lothrop.

Mrs. Alvin Padgett and little daughter, from Putnam Hall, are guests this week of Prof. L. W. Black.

Mrs. A. B. Miller and Mr. C. M. Fabrigue of New Haven arrived this week and are guests of Mrs. D. M. Corthell.

Mrs. Geo. Berkemann is entertaining a congenial party of friends from Duluth, Minn.

Miss Alice Bradstreet entertained the Tuesday night Bridge Club at her home this week.

FLORAHOME NEWS.

The Village Improvement Association gave a Valentine Party Saturday night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Hardy, and it was largely attended. Games suitable to the occasion were played, and throughout the evening refreshments were served in the dining room. Dainty boxes of candy, decorated with fancy hearts, were auctioned off by Mr. Revels, who certainly proved himself a success at the art. The proceeds from the affair amounted to over eleven dollars, which will be given toward paying for the stained glass windows for the new church. A hard times party will probably be the attraction the society will offer for next month.

A spirited base ball game between the Florahome and Putnam teams was played the afternoon of Feb. 5th, the score standing in favor of Florahome.

Mr. Revels and family are expected to move to town on Saturday. J. E. Young, who came from California, and purchased property, will soon reside and make his home here.

Rev. T. F. Roland held his services Sunday. He commended one Sunday each new church is about ready for use, and is a large, attractive structure.

W. J. Small and children of California, are living with Mrs. S. E. Tubbs.

Miss May Johns is the sister, Mrs. Wall, at Bellamy. Mr. Vor of Putnam Hall, week-end with friends in Florahome.

NASHUA NEWS.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder of Cranford of Clinton, Wis. are visiting their friends, Mrs. F. and Mrs. Cheener for a few days. Mrs. W. E. Bailey of Oakdale for a last week.

Mrs. M. M. Collins left for Nashville, Ga., for a short time. Miss Louise Bray motored to Palatka Saturday evening with Mrs. C. W. Loveland.

J. M. Bard made a business trip to Jacksonville last week, returning Sunday.

Miss Margaret Donnelly spent a few days this week in the guest of Mrs. H. Hutchings. Mrs. C. W. Loveland is spending a few days this week in the guest of Mrs. F. V. Satsuma Hights. They are the exercises of the Flagg tory school where Miss Loveland is a student.

The Fly on the Ceiling.
It is often a matter of flies get on the ceiling, because so they have to turn a somersault in the air, said Henry Black in the course of a lecture delivered at the London Institution. A fly, he said, has a backward movement of the wings and turns them around, in addition to the ordinary up and down motion of a wing. That enables it to turn in any direction. At the end of each fly's feet there is a small hair about 1,200 hairs on it. These hairs are sent small droplets that the fly is really glued to the ceiling.

Figured Out.
"Miss Day claims she is four years old."

"Miss Day? I knew her. He died thirty years ago."

"Then she's thirty if she isn't she?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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